



OSOTMG NEWS

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NEXT MEETING WILL BE 3 FEBRUARY SOCIALIZE AT 11 am, MEETING STARTS AT 11:45 AM AT TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. Please remember to RSVP for the Luncheon to Paul Turner 303-366-6770, cost is \$12.00. LUNCHEONS ARE NOW EVERY MONTH. CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: [HTTP://WWW.OSOMG.ORG](http://www.osomg.org)

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303-340-3939

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DECEMBER 2, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to The United States Flag led by DO Neary. Paul Turner said the invocation.

Joyce Saitta said that the NGACO 2015 conference will be in Estes Park the last weekend in April. You can now register online for the conference. Lifetime membership in EANGUS has been reduced to \$110.

Sick Call; Arlo Sorheim, Jim Swenson, Harold Zimmerman, Woody Glaser, Faith Muzy and Spike Boyle.

Taps: Dee Ortiz

Retirements: BGen Martin- Saturday, 6 Dec; Col Skip Johnson- 6 Dec; and SMSgt Don Housekeeper 6 Dec.

COANG Wing Christmas Party 9 AM—11 AM Sunday Dec 7. Unit parties are Sunday from 12 PM- 2 PM. Jan Love will be Mrs Claus again. (continued on page 2)

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(December Minutes continued) Col Brian Callahan, Field Joint Base, 159 Spt Grp CC, New Orleans was promoted to Colonel (former COANG member).

Nathan Rowan is select for LTC by July 2015.

ANG Bowling Tournament Reunion Friday before the Tournament starts.

May 2015, The Air Force Thunderbirds will be performing an Airshow over the Aurora Reservoir. The Thunderbirds cannot perform over Buckley due to Airfield and noise restrictions.

Birthdays present were Dewey Hicks, DO Neary and Susan Schnurstein.

Next month's luncheon menu will be Sloppy Joes.

The meeting adjourned and will reconvene on January 6, 2015.

JANUARY 6, 2015 MINUTES

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by DO Neary. Joe Broom said the prayer.

Joyce Saitta said that she will be attending the Mid Winter Area 6 and 7 EANGUS conference in Ogden, Utah next weekend. In February she will be attending the National "Meet and Greet" EANGUS function in Washington D.C. This is quite an honor for our local EANGUS and NGACO representative. Shorten UTAs that pay for one day for 2 days drill is still threatened. NGACO conference is still the last weekend in April at Estes Park. Registration can be done on the internet. EANGUS life time dues are still \$110 and the officer's lifetime dues reduction are being discussed by NGAUS.

Joe Broom discussed the latest problem he had with Medicare not paying for Oxygen delivery even after the company said that it was covered and did not directly bill him. Always check to see if any medical supplies (or equipment) you need is covered.

Next month's luncheon will be Rigatoni.

The meeting adjourned and will reconvene on February 3rd.

"SOLDIERSTONE"

While hiking the Colorado Trail on August 9, 1995, I discovered a remarkable memorial monument to the Vietnam War. The memorial had been completed only a month before my trip. It was seven, 30" X 30" X 12" thick 1200 pound granite blocks stacked on top each other surrounded by a triangular slate fortification. There were four faces with memorial tributes from each major country- one for America, one for Vietnam, one for Laos and one for Cambodia in their own language.

"SACRIFICE', HONOR, COURAGE AND VALOR were on each face. On top was a bronzed French 50 mm grenade launcher. I photographed the monument with its mortar launcher on the top and its 20 headstones located 100 yards from the monument written in the language of 20 different groups that supported the war in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos.

Who could have built this memorial in the middle of forest in Colorado?
I contacted SSG Larry Burch of the 140 JAG office who was going to write an article about the memorial. He gave the information to me about the author and builder of the memorial monument. It was retired LTC Stuart Beckley. I contacted him and subsequently sent him the negatives of the pictures for the book about the "SOLDIERSTONE" and the Vietnam War called "LEAVES OF STONE". But sadly he passed away on November 5, 1995 and as far as I know the book was never compiled or published.

I am privileged to have a letter from LTC Stuart Beckley and the first four pages of the book that was never published. I can't release that information unless his sister gives me permission. But, I have attached a few pictures of this remarkable monument. Since LTC Beckley wanted the location to be remote and relatively hard to find, I did not include the location in this article.

Editor- See pictures on page 5

DECEMBER 2014 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Tom Ortega	Helen McCabe
Frank Mullins	Dan Heinz
Tony Burczyk	Doug Teasdale
Paul Turner	Chuck Hoffman
Linda Turner	Bill Miller
Golden Sherman	Larry Catlin
Kenneth Forrest	Joyce Saitta
Mike Schnurstein	Bill Frazien
Susan Schnurstein	
Harry Wales	
Sy Harjes	
Ken McGill	
Dale Bristol	
Jan Love	
Dewey Hicks	
Michael Rowan	
Michelle Rowan	
DO Neary	
Harold Brewer	
Pat McCabe	

DATE BOOK 2015February 2015

3rd- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

14th- Valentine's Day

16th- President's Day

March 2015

3rd- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

17th- St. Patrick's Day

April 2015

5th- Easter Sunday

7th- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

May 2015

5th- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

10th- Mother's Day

25th- Memorial day

June 2015

2nd- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

21st- Father's Day

July 2015

4th- Independence Day

7th- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

Sick Call



Wayland (Spike) Boyle Stan Wood Mike Rowan
Maxine Merten John Swenson Tony Burczyk
Arlo Sorheim Woody Glaser Ed McClenahan

Taps



Tom Emmett Hosea Johnson
Vi Reed
Dee Ortiz

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Tony Burczyk
Dale Bristol
Tom Ortega
Golden Sherman
Bill Frazien
DO Neary
Mike Schnurstein
Susan Schnurstein
Paul Turner
Linda Turner
Sonja Broom
Joe Broom
Dewey Hicks
Michael Rowan
Michelle Rowan
Jay Gates
Monroe Mathias

Joyce Saitta
Bill Pelletier
Dan Heinz

FEBRUARY 3RD LUNCHEON

The FEBRUARY meeting will be catered by Golden Sherman. The meal is Rigatoni and costs \$12.00 per person. No dessert will be served. Bring a dessert to share for the group.

RSVP with your check or cash at the meeting OR mail your check made payable to "OSOTMG" and send it to Paul Turner, 1945 Ensenada St., Aurora, CO 80011-5353.

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JOANN BARBER
BETTINA BLED SOE
JON BRIDGMAN
ANGELA CAVENER
BOB CHERRY
JOHN CONROY
JACK DARVEAU
DONALD GOE
RUSS GOTTENBOR
DAVID HATCH
TERRY HATCHETT
NANCY HEINLE
DEWEY HICKS
LOIS HOOPS
BRYAN JORDAN
BEVERLY KALCITS
ESTRING KIDSTON
PEGGY KLAPP
CRAIG LAUFERT
YOLANDA LEGGETT
ANDY LOVE
KEN LOVE
DON LOVISON
KEN LUCERO
DEE MACLAUGLIN
BARBARA MALDONADO

MARGARET MCGAFFIN
JIM MIELKE
EVAN MITCHELL
DON NEARY
ROSEMARY PAOLILO
LARRY PETERS
MIKE POPOVICH
DIANE RICHARDS
SUSAN SCHNURSTEIN
GREG SHORT
DENNIS SIMPSON
BRENDA STEVENS
ROSE SUPRENTANT
JOHN SWENSON
MARTHA ANN TAYLOR
WAYNE TAYLOR
FAYE WEICKUM
PEPPER WEIMER

Birthdays



SUZANNE ANDREWS
JOE ASHBY
BONNIE ASHER
RALPH BERNHARDT
BILL BLUMBERG
HAROLD BREWER
JOHN CHRISTOPHER
LINDA COBLE
CHARLOTTE FARMER
SMOKEY FIELDS
DAN GAY
DARRELL HANSON
KAY HARNKE
BEN IRVIN
MAI JORDAN
KAREN KYRITZ
JOHN LE VAN
VERLENE LEE
REED LUTZ
JO MCDONALD
WILLIAM MCGAFFIN
RON MCHENRY
SANDY OVERFIELD
GERALDINE PAWLEY
ANNE NEUENS
ELLEN NISHIKI

JANUARY 2015

SHIRLEY PFISTER
DEB POPOVICH
TOM ROCHFORD
VAL RODEKOH
HAZEL RUTTER
EVA SHREVE
DIANNA SEILER
HAL SMETHILLS
JERRY SMITH
CURT SQUIRE
CAROL SWANSON
JAMES TIPTON
JAMES WEICKUM
DEB WRAY
TAMSEN THISTLEHAWK-RANCK

